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Training given to the students in the School of Indian Medicine.

*1592 Q.—Sriman Biswanath Das Mahasayo: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the course of training given to the students of the Indian School of Medicine and the period for which such training is given;

(*b*) the number of students that have come out successful at the final examination;

(*c*) the sort of certificate given to the successful candidates;

(*d*) whether the successful candidates will be given the status and privileges of an L.M.S.; and

(*e*) if the reply to clause (*d*) is in the negative, the reasons for the same?

A.—(*a*) Paragraphs 3 and 29 of the School prospectus [a] which contain the information are placed on the table. The period of training is 4 years.

(*b*) 69.

(*c*) A sample form [a] is placed on the table.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) An L.M.S. is a graduate in western medicine while an L.I.M. is a practitioner in Indian medicine who has been given a diploma by a Board of Examiners specially appointed for the purpose.

Entertainment of graduates from Government School of Medicine by local boards.

*1593 Q.—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) what number of students have graduated from the Government School of Indian Medicine;

(*b*) how many of these have found employment under the local bodies;

(*c*) what is the number of Ayurvedic and Unani dispensaries founded or maintained by the local bodies in each district of this province; and

(*d*) whether the Government are encouraging the establishment of such dispensaries and, if so, how?

A—(*a*) 69.

(*b*) Eight, according to the information furnished by the Principal of the School of Indian Medicine.

(*c*) A statement [b] has been placed on the table which shows the number of ayurvedic and unani dispensaries maintained by local bodies in each district according to information obtained last year.

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[a] Printed as Appendix VI on pages 351–356 infra.

[b] Printed as Appendix VII on page 357 infra.

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(*d*) Local bodies are themselves competent to open such dispensaries. The Government have under consideration the question of permitting taluk boards to appoint L.I.Ms. instead of L.M.Ps., if they so desire, in the rural dispensaries now subsidised from provincial funds. They also propose to consider the question of aiding institutions of Indian Medicine in connexion with the budget for 1930–31.

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" May I know with reference to......?"

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" With reference to what question ? "

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" Question No. 1592."

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" That has been disposed of. We are now on 1593."

Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO :—" May I know when this question of appointing L.I.M. men to rural dispensaries will be settled ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" Final orders will be passed very soon."

Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO :—" Very soon means what ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" Say within two or three weeks."

Extension of the scheme of honorary physicians to district hospitals.

*1594 *Q.*—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA : With reference to question No. 1328 answered on 1st February 1929 regarding the extension of the scheme of honorary physicians to district hospitals, will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to place before the House a statement of the details worked out on the above subject ?

A.—The question will be considered after the details have been worked out.

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" May I know when the Government hopes to work out details ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" The details have been called for from the Surgeon-General. Unfortunately there was a change in the office of the Surgeon-General. The old Surgeon-General who is fully acquainted with the whole thing is not now in office and the new one takes naturally some time to work out the details. That is the reason for the delay."

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI :—" Did the old Surgeon-General make any recommendations, Sir ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" During the time of the old Surgeon-General, they decided to extend the scheme. For working out the details the whole question had to be studied afresh by the new officer."